

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-155.

Please add new claims 156-175.

1-155. (Cancelled)

156. (New) An apparatus for processing digital media signals, comprising:

(a) a digital processor for controlling said apparatus;

(b) a graphic user interface, having a wireless remote control providing a command input to said processor;

(c) a network interface for transmitting digital information from said processor to a remote location over a communications network, said information identifying a digital media signal for desired reproduction based on an input received from said remote control; and

(d) an output, controlled by, and local to, said processor, for presenting the desired digital media signals for reproduction thereof.

157. (New) The apparatus according to claim 156, wherein said network interface comprises Ethernet.

158. (New) The apparatus according to claim 156, wherein said network interface comprises a wireless local area network..

159. (New) The apparatus according to claim 156, wherein said network interface employs digitally modulated communications over a telephone subscriber line.

160. (New) The apparatus according to claim 156, wherein said network interface further communicates information describing the content of the digital media signals.

161. (New) The apparatus according to claim 156, further comprising a digital media data storage system, said data storage system hosting digital media in a retrievable format.

162. (New) The apparatus according to claim 161, wherein said digital media data storage system comprises an optical data storage medium.

163. (New) The apparatus according to claim 161, wherein said digital media data storage system comprises a rewritable optical data storage medium.

164. (New) The apparatus according to claim 161, wherein said digital media data storage system comprises a magnetic data storage medium.

165. (New) The apparatus according to claim 161, wherein said digital media data storage system comprises a semiconductor memory data storage medium.

166. (New) The apparatus according to claim 156, wherein said processor comprises a manager for limiting reproduction of digital media signals according to a defined right of reproduction, and wherein said output presents digital media signals according to limits imposed by said manager.

167. (New) The apparatus according to claim 166, wherein said processor controls said output to distort presentation of the digital media signals in dependence on said manager.

168. (New) The apparatus according to claim 166, wherein said rights manager controls said output to prevent presentation of the digital media signals in dependence on said manager.

169. (New) The apparatus according to claim 156, wherein said output presents the digital media signals as an analog media signal stream.

170. (New) The apparatus according to claim 156, wherein said output presents the digital media signals as a digital media signal stream.

171. (New) The apparatus according to claim 156, wherein said wireless remote control comprises a visual display presenting data based on a communication from said processor.

172. (New) The apparatus according to claim 156, wherein said wireless remote control comprises a graphic user interface input.

173. (New) The apparatus according to claim 156, wherein said network interface communicates electronic program guide information.

174. (New) The apparatus according to claim 156, wherein said remote control communicates through said network interface.

175. (New) The apparatus according to claim 156, wherein said identifying a digital media signal for desired reproduction comprises an index reference.

IN THE FIGURES

Please add new Figures 32 and 33 per the attached drawings.